

Personal.
BARTON.—M. Barton and wife, La Salle, were in the city yesterday.
BOROUGH.—Ald. Fred Borroughs, of La Salle, was in the city last Monday.
STEWART.—W. K. Stewart, the builder, has been quite ill for several days with quinsy.
COLES.—Mrs. I. S. and T. B. Cole, of La Salle, had dinner at the Clifton last Thursday.
MARRINER.—Dr. Marriner attended a meeting of the State Dental Association in Peoria this week.
HOSACK.—H. L. Hosack, the Mineral Spring man, was in Lincoln, Neb., yesterday, on business.
GAY.—Willard Gay, who has been severely ill during the past week, is greatly improved in health again.
BARBER.—Royal E. Barber, of Joliet, was building his fences for the judicial election in this city Thursday.
DILLMAN.—Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Dillman, of Joliet, were the guests of Postmaster Bowman and wife, yesterday.
FLANAGAN.—Mr. John Flanagan, of the flourishing firm of D. Heenan & Co., Streator, made Ottawa a visit yesterday.
ROBINSON.—Mrs. Robinson, of Washington, the "City of Magnificent Distances," is in the city, visiting her sister, Mrs. T. Maher.
O'MEARA.—City Treasurer Frank O'Meara, and cashier of the Union National Bank, of Streator, spent Sunday at the county "hub."
NORRIS.—Geo. H. Norris, all the way from the everglade state, Florida, arrived in the city last Thursday on a visit to Ottawa friends.
HOLMES-ATHERTON.—Miss May Holmes and Miss Annie Atherton were the guests of Miss Emma Richardson, south side, Sunday last.
STEVENS.—Mrs. A. J. Stevens, W. H. Hull's dressmaker, is in Chicago selecting something new and pretty for the ladies in the spring and summer styles.
STOKES.—Prof. Seymour Stokes, violinist of Wilkes orchestra, will probably leave here in a few weeks for Jeffersonville, Ind., where he will engage in the grocery business.
METZGER.—J. J. Metzger, superior president of the W. C. T. U., was in the city Tuesday and Wednesday last on official business, connected with the branch of the society here.
MULLISON.—Mrs. Mullison and her daughter Miss Mary Mullison arrived in this city, Tuesday last, and will spend the summer months here. Mrs. M. is a sister of Mrs. J. N. Shuler.
HARRISON.—Prof. Z. S. Harrison was reported dead more than once this week. It is, however, gratifying to state that these rumors proved unfounded. Mr. H. is now slowly improving.
KROUSE.—David Krouse, the 7 year old son of David Krouse, died Monday morning, of typhoid fever. The parents have the sympathy of many friends. The funeral took place last Wednesday.
KANSAS.—Chas. Russell and Richard Wolfe, of the party who went to Kansas on a land buying excursion, returned home last Monday. They both purchased considerable soil in the vicinity of Larned, and speak highly of that section of country.
RAFTER.—Thos. Rafter, a La Salle alderman, has been appointed on the Hyde Park police force. His resignation as alderman from the La Salle council will create another vacancy in that body. Ald. Dennis McGuire having resigned a few weeks ago.
HARD.—Albert Hard, son of Dr. Hard, of this city, who had been practicing in Chicago, has been promoted to be a member of the legal force of the Northwestern road at Milwaukee. His wife was one of the party at the family reunion at Dr. Hard's last Wednesday, returning to Milwaukee last Friday.
REED.—Miss Fannie Reed, a pupil of the Boston School of Oratory, arrived in this city last Saturday to spend her vacation at home. Miss Reed stands high in the estimation of the school, and is possessed of a high order of eloquent talent. She will resume her studies at the above institute in September.
MITCHELL-CLIFT.—Miss Mattie Mitchell, who has been visiting Miss Nellie Clift, of Burlington, Kansas, during the past winter, returned last Thursday, accompanied by Miss Clift, who will visit here for some time. The ladies were protected by M. B. Mitchell, who had been out west on a land speculating tour.
CHAPPELLE.—E. de la Chappelle, president of the new glass works building in this city, has rented the P. K. Leland house on the bluff, where he will reside. Mr. C. is a courteous affable gentleman, and has already made many lasting friendships during his short stay here. He will return to Brooklyn about the last of this month.
DUNCAN.—On Wednesday of last week Vince T. Duncan was admitted to the Michigan bar. Some time in June next the commencement exercises of the Ann Arbor University take place, at which time he will graduate. His many friends here and at La Salle believe Mr. Duncan to be a talented young man and that he will reflect credit on the bar of La Salle county.
WOODY.—To many of our Ottawa people this name will strike a familiar chord. He was some time ago tuba player in Fitzgerald's Band, and is now a member of Burr Robbins' Circus Band. The boys will be glad to welcome the big hearted, good natured "Woody" to Ottawa again. He can crack a joke or take one with the best of them. Pete Jenkins, also a former member of the above band, is with Doris' Circus as cornet player.
ROGERS.—I. W. Rogers, proprietor of the Clifton, returned last Thursday from a four days' visit to Chicago and Milwaukee. He left Monday last to be present at the meeting of the Hotel Keepers' Association in Chicago, visited Milwaukee, and as a member of that party was banqueted, dined and wine like a prince during his absence. Hotel keepers from all over the union were present, and all enjoyed the vacation to the utmost degree.
RAYMOND.—On the occasion of County Treasurer Raymond's birthday, Friday of last week, he was 70 years of age, as mentioned in the FREE TRADER of last Saturday. He was born May 8, 1815, in Woodstock, Vt., and has resided continually in La Salle county for 48 years. He was recorder 2 years, county clerk 12 years, and is now in his 14th year as county treasurer. His office record has been as truly honest as it has been an extraordinarily lengthy one.
CORWIN.—Hib Corwin, editor of the Twin City News-Herald, together with his daughter and Miss Snyder, all from the city at the mouth of the big ditch, came up to see Keene, in Macbeth, last Wednesday. H. C. is some what of a stranger in these parts and he

ought to visit us oftener and feel how it is to be in a city like Ottawa, with its fine opera house, splendid churches, grand library building, elegant stores and beautiful women. Such attractions ought to draw the most aesthetic editor to visit this city frequently.
MOORE.—Hon. J. W. Moore, a retired capitalist of Detroit, Mich., half brother of Dr. Hard and Mrs. McArthur, paid a visit to his relatives in this city this week. Wednesday last was his 71st birthday, the occasion being celebrated at the residence of Dr. McArthur. His son, Joseph B. Moore, and wife were also present at the birthday festivities. J. B. Moore was formerly a member of the Detroit city council, and is now secretary and treasurer of the Michigan Carbon Works. At the Clifton last Thursday Dr. and Mrs. Hard entertained the visitors at dinner. The party left for home yesterday.
May Blossoms.
Wenona has five soloists.
Note change of time on the Rock Island.
Sterling has licensed eight saloons at \$1,000 each.
The Mendota skating rink was finished this week.
May 7, 1885, the river at this place was frozen over.
St. John will lecture in Rockford some time this month.
Earl has two saloons at \$500 license each, cash in advance.
Mayor Raley, of Earlville, wants a fire company organized.
A skating rink 65x80, with ante room 15x25, is being built at Seneca.
Bob Ferguson lectured to an immense audience at Rockford last week.
The Earlville *Louise* has copied the style of the *Free Trader* personals.
The canal authorities have got through dredging the basin and side cut.
Do not be in a hurry to part with your Merina undershirt for some time yet.
G. W. Holmes has purchased the Galloway house property on Columbus street, for \$2000.
The Bloomington and La Salle military companies left Joliet for home last Saturday.
There were four deaths among the Lemont strikers, caused by the engagement of the 4th inf. there.
John H. Mills has been appointed city marshal of Earlville and S. M. Warren street superintendent.
The Morris *Indep. Adv.* wants Judge Jordan, of Grundy county, as one of the new judges of this circuit.
There were more "baby jumpers" on La Salle street some afternoons this week than you could shake a stick at.
The newspaper and newspaper man that people don't talk about and roundly abuse occasionally, are not worth their salt.
Mrs. Hart, of this city, who was buried in the Catholic cemetery, near this city, last Saturday, left a family of nine children.
Wednesday last, Arthur Clink, a 16-year-old boy, of Mendota, fell into the artificial lake, north of that city, and was drowned.
The depot of the L. & N. R. R. will not be located in Homer village, but will be planted about one mile east of that prehistoric burg.
Bureau county has about enough dogs to make it a favorite canine summer resort. There are 2,779 of them according to the latest census.
A railroad conductor being asked his opinion of an eating house on the line of his road said their table salt was equal to any he had ever tasted.
The Mendota *Bulletin* says that E. J. Kelly, city clerk of Ottawa, gets a salary of \$1,200 as such officer. This will be pleasing and highly agreeable news to Ed.
A type-writer has been purchased for the high school pupils of Henry. Could not the trustees of our high school be made to see the utility of following the above example.
It wouldn't do to import negroes into La Salle to work the mines there. The Streator *Monitor* says that La Salle is a mighty bad place for "coons," and every mother's son of them on this continent knows it.
Is Ottawa to have a Fourth of July Celebration this year? It is the best situated city within a radius of 50 miles to get up a grand celebration, and it is not too early to put the ball in motion. Talk it up, citizens.
A revivalist in a neighboring town in describing the ecstasy of the new convert said: "He feels as did Alexander the Great as he stood on the top of the Andes and exclaimed 'I'm monarch of all I survey; my right there is none to dispute.'"
If there is a paper in this or any of the counties adjoining it, that furnishes half as much news as the FREE TRADER, let it be heard from; and yet the subscription price of this paper is but \$1.50 per year, while it ought to be \$4 according to the rate others charge.
Rucker's Business College at Mendota held its commencement exercises last Tuesday. The following are the names of graduates: Marion A. Hargis, Mattie B. Price, Marie Gallup, Chas. W. Dodgeon, Isabelle J. Dwyer, Herbert L. Evans, William A. Morrissey, Mollie A. Wilcox and Eugene Meisenbach.
The Times of this city doesn't want Col. McIntyre on the governor's staff. In fact, this appointment doesn't seem to tickle the old soldiers to any extent. What does it matter, gents? The position doesn't amount to anything, and is only a paper-collar title to make the most of it. It strikes the undersigned rather forcibly that the old soldier editors were whooping it up rather warmly last fall for gallant "Uncle Dick."

Amusements.
The Acme Comedy company will begin a week's engagement at the Opera House, May 25th.
The rink, which held sway as the great popular place of attraction last winter, will close for the season next Monday night, with the finest attraction ever given there—the Jones sisters, fancy and artistic skaters. Admission 15 cents.
W. J. Scanlan gave Peek a Boo in Rockford Thursday night.
There was a circus in Lacon last week. The menagerie consisted of a black bear and a monkey.
It is estimated that not less than a thousand men will make a regular business of playing base ball professionally this summer.
Geo. K. Steele, general manager of Burr Robbins' circus, was in the city last week. He says that his circus will never exhibit in the twin cities again on account of the lawless treatment received at the hands of some uncivilized toughs while there last year.
Gus Williams was the attraction at the Streator opera house last night. It is hoped that he had a better house than when in this city lately, where he got a beggarly send-off, the receipts only amounting to enough to pay the orchestra.

THE COURTS.
Judge Pillsbury will preside at the next term of the Appellate Court, which begins here next Tuesday. He comes here from Pontiac, where he is now holding court.
Opinions in 52 cases were yesterday filed with the clerk of the Supreme Court. The following are La Salle county cases: Freeman v. Ottawa Building Association, affirmed; O'Sullivan v. Deer Park Commissioners, reversed and remanded; Gilbert v. McGinnis, affirmed.
Circuit Court.
The motion for a new trial in the Richards divorce case was argued before Judge Stipp yesterday, and was refused. The case will go to the Appellate Court.
The Richards divorce case is now being tried by the newspapers. "Juror" receives the attention of Walter Reeves, of Streator, and E. F. Bull this week in the *Globe*, and some pretty hard hits are made against the communication signed as above. It is thought the jury must have sat through the evidence and addresses half asleep.
Probate Court.
Est of Chas Pearson; invappr, bill filed and appvd.
Est of Peter Brown; inv filed and appvd.
Guardianship of Edna C Brown, a minor; rep of acts app and ord rec.
Est of E. L. Plowman; rep private sale prop and a rep of acts app and ord rec.
Est of Jos Yates; ord for final settlmt to June term.
Est of Esther C Chapman; will ad to probate ap, deposition of Geo S. Paine and Louis W. Hague, non resident witnesses. Sidney R. Blanchard and Charles Blanchard app extras.
Bond in sum of \$20,000 with Francis L. Fiske and David A. Cook as sureties; appvd. Notice to creditors to July term.
Est of Alfred N. Roberts; rep of acts appvd and ord rec.
Est of Corren Deane; appvd bill and inv appvd and ord rec.
Joel Carter vs est of Lurane Carter; claim of \$5,000; settled by agreement.

MARRIAGES.
Miles Moloney and Winney Dwyer.
John Jacob Grosser and Rosa Brown.
Joseph Zolusky and Elizabeth Vargo.
Michael E. McDonald and Mary Hartnell.
Jno. R. Butters and Myra Lida Shuler.

DR. J. O. HARRIS.
GOOD LANDS. In Texas at from \$200 to \$250 per acre. Tax less than \$1.00 per section. Land buyers are continuing to increase, but no more land is being made just now. Prices are advancing rapidly. Chances like those now offered will soon disappear forever. Buy now. For further information, maps and papers call on Jan. 1st.
DE. J. O. HARRIS & SON.
ONLY \$15.50 for a ticket from Liverpool, Eng., or \$15.50 from Antwerp to Ottawa, Ill. Tickets good for one year. These prices will soon be doubled. Now is the time to buy.
DE. J. O. HARRIS & SON.
THE CRY of Fire! Fire! Fire! or the clanging of the fire bells is always startling, and the best soothing syrup in such cases is a dose in some of the large, strong, honorable companies represented by me, which cost no more than you pay for insurance in weaker and less desirable companies. Try it.
DE. J. O. HARRIS.
CITY PROPERTY. I have a large lot which to select, and buyers will consult their own interest by calling on me. Will sell dwellings at from \$500 to \$10,000, building lots at from \$75 to \$500, and some desirable business property at fair prices.
DE. J. O. HARRIS.
VALUABLE BUSINESS AND RESIDENCE CITY LOTS FOR SALE. Very cheap and on easy terms. The whole front on the canal from railroad crossing to the sidewalk (except one lot.) Also residence lots at the rear.
DE. J. O. HARRIS & SON.

Boots and Shoes.
Spencer's
SPRING STOCK has commenced to arrive.
A fine line of Ladies' Kid and Goat, Button and Tie, Walking Shoes, at prices lower than the lowest.
A full stock of Boots, Shoes and Rubber Goods always on hand at prices lower than the lowest.
Call and examine stock and see our prices.
LACEY & SMITH
Have received their
NEW SPRING GOODS,
and Invite Your Inspection.
Our stock of Dress Goods, Velvets, Silks, Gingham, Prints, Blankets, Flannels, Underwear, Hosiery, Gloves, Shawls, Napkins, Towels, Table Linens, Cotton Flannels, Bleached and Br'n Sheetings and Shirts, Yarns, &c, is complete, and
Prices the Lowest.
All we ask is a liberal share of your patronage. Good Goods, Low Prices and Fair Dealing you will always find at
LACEY & SMITH'S,
Opera House Block, Ottawa, Ill.

COMING TO OTTAWA,
THURSDAY, MAY 21.
WAIT FOR IT!

The Most Popular of all American Exhibitions.
BURR ROBBINS'
New Consolidated Railroad Shows

AWAIT FOR IT! A

Enlarged, reorganized and renovated in all departments for its grand tour of 1885. A show distinguished by the absence of all nonsensical humbuggery in its advertisements. An exhibition that furnishes all it advertises to show; an entertainment devoid of objectionable features, replete with interesting and instructive objects.

THE PEOPLE'S POPULAR SHOW!
AT HALF THE USUAL PRICE:
GENERAL ADMISSION 25 CTS.
An Unequaled Monster Menagerie,
Wild Beast Show and Trained Animal Exhibition, embracing in its colossal collection specimens of every rare animal known to naturalists. The Zoological collections of the World ransacked. Earth, sea and air tributary.

HUGE HIPPOPOTAMUS, SUMATRAN RHINOCEROS.
A Herd of Elephants, Monsters of the Deep,
An ornithological collection of unsurpassed merit and value. Lions, Tigers, Leopards, Bears, Ostriches, Zebras, Camels, Dromedaries, Savage Sea Lions.

THE BEHEMOTH OF THE BIBLE.

THE BEHEMOTH OF THE BIBLE.

Marvelous Museum of Living Wonders. Strangely Formed Phenomena from Foreign Lands. THE EQUINE GIANT "MOLOCH," the Largest of all Horses on Earth; twenty-one hands high; weighs 2,500 pounds.

THE PEERLESS PLURAL CIRCUS!
Displaying more and greater arenic novelties than ever attempted by any other shows. Every artist a star. Every act a masterpiece. Equestrians and Equestriennes, Acrobats and Gymnasts, Wire Walkers, Tumblers, Leapers, Mid-Air Marvels and Wonder workers.

PERFORMING PONIES AND HORSES, ELEPHANT ARTISTS, RACING CAMELS.
More and Better Features in Every Department than Ever before Seen on Tented Fields.

MAY 21.

A SUPERLATIVELY MAGNIFICENT SUNBURST OF SPLENDOR
Organized and equipped on a scale of hereto unheard of magnificence. Gorgeous golden chariots, wide open dens of savage beasts, an unequalled line of cavaliers and ladies, richly appareled, and mounted on gaily caparisoned steeds. Hundreds of handsome horses, richly decorated lairs, vans, dens, cages and chariots. Three splendidly equipped bands. A scene of unexampled splendor. Rome's triumphal pageants revived. Miles of glittering splendor free to all observers. Taking place daily at 10 a. m. Fail not to view its glory. Be in time. Come early. Two exhibitions daily. Doors open at 1 and 7 p. m. Performance commences at 2 and 8 p. m., thus allowing ample time to view the wonders of the Menagerie.

GENERAL ADMISSION 25 CENTS.
SPECIAL NOTICE We neither allow nor countenance gambling or games of chance on or about the show grounds. Beware of Sharps on Show Day. Special Detectives are employed to protect our patrons.
REMEMBER THE DATE:
OTTAWA, MAY 21.
WAIT FOR IT! WAIT FOR IT!